



California State Fire Marshal **CODE INTERPRETATION**

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Topic	Exiting from Group R-2.2.1 with Non-Ambulatory Clients		
Code Section(s)	Section 1007.6.3.2.1, California Building Code (1998 ed)		
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1. Does Section 1007.6.3.2.1 apply to Group R, Division 2.2.1 occupancies that house non-ambulatory clients?

Yes. Section 1007.6.3.2.1 applies to the bedrooms used by non-ambulatory clients in Group R, Division 2.2.1 occupancies built of non-rated construction.

2. How do you apply section 1007.6.3.2.4? It appears that the clients are exiting through more than one intervening room if they exit through the hallway.

For purposes of determining the number of intervening rooms, the room that the clients exit from is not counted and the hallway is not considered a room for purposes of exiting in this type of occupancies. Clients may exit from a bedroom to the hallway and through another bedroom that has a direct exit to the exterior. They may not exit from the hallway into a common living area such as an entryway or living room. Further, when using the hallway to reach another room or exit, the hallway must be separated from common living areas by the use of a door at the mouth of the hallway. The door must be positive latching and may be non-rated without self-closer.